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1. The average monthly fuel consumption at the Stahlwerk Silbitz (formerly Oswald Kmsch) of SAG Marten is as follows:

2,500 tons of briquettes supplied by VVB Braunkohlenverwaltung Borna  
600 tons of coal supplied by VVB Steinkohlenverwaltung Zwickau  
40 tons of coke imported from Poland

2. New reparations orders were as follows:

a. For Buckau-Wolf Magdeburg (SAG AMO):

F 50/21804, 28 August 1951: steel castings for mud pumps  
F 64/13513, 1 October 1951: steel castings for crane excavators

b. For VEM Elektromotorenwerk, Dessau VEB:

F 50/13445, 3 September 1951: steel castings for motors

c. For Bleichert & Co., Leipzig (SAG Transmasch):

R 50/11322, 4 September 1951: steel castings for a rotating crane  
R 50/11210, 2 October 1951: steel castings for a rotating crane  
R 50/11310, 10 October 1951: chrome molybdenum cast steel wheels for  
a loading bridge.

d. For Waggonfabrik Weimar (SAG Transmasch):

R 50/11205, 27 August 1951: cast steel wheels

e. For Waggonfabrik Dessau (SAG Transmasch):

R 50/11810, 28 December 1950  
(re-dated 9 October 1951): steel castings for railroad cars.

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3. The Stahlwerk Silbitz delivers 90% of its total steel production to SAGs and 10% to VEBs. Orders are passed in bulk by the general administration of SAGs to the general management headquarters of SAG Marten at Thale, who allocate specific orders to the Stahlwerk Silbitz.
4. The general financial position of all SAGs is at present critical because of the withdrawal of credit facilities by the Garantie- und Kredit-Bank, and mutual payments are transacted with considerable delay. The new conditions under which the Garantie- und Kredit-Bank will grant credit facilities to the SAGs are based on stock in hand and debtors after the deduction of commitments to creditors. The settlement of accounts among the SAGs is effected by means of remittances through the various branches of the Garantie- und Kredit-Bank. Payment for imported pig iron is effected through Leipziger Eisen- und Stahlhandel, Leipzig, a branch of Deutsche Handelszentrale Metallurgie, Berlin.
5. Pure aluminum (92%) is supplied to the SAG Marten plants by Elektro-Chemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld (SAG Kaustik).
6. SAG Marten has received instructions from the general administration of SAGs, Berlin-Weissensee, to undertake research on the manufacture of alloy steels, especially V 2 A steel. No progress has so far been made with this research work because of the lack of ferrochrome with a carbon content of not more than 0.06% for V 2 A steel and tungsten, molybdenum and vanadium for alloy steels. The only producer in the DDR of chrome with a low carbon content is at present Elektrostahlwerk, Lippendorf near Zwickau, but it cannot produce chrome with a carbon content of less than 0.25%.
7. On 17 October 1951, a representative of SAG Marten visited the Amt für Materialversorgung, Berlin, Leipzigerstrasse, to press for allocations of molybdenum, tungsten, manganese, and vanadium, but with negative results. He was told that even Staatsreserve stocks were exhausted for the time being and it was recommended that he approach DIA-Metall with his requirements. He was told by DIA-Metall that no promises could be given until the negotiations for the new Interzonal trade agreement were completed and the new agreement became effective.

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